

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

Regular Meeting

March 1, 1944
10:45 A. M.

Council Chamber, City Hall

The meeting was called to order, with Mayor Miller presiding.

Roll call

Present : Councilmen Alford, Bartholomew, Gillis, Mayor Miller - 4
Absent : Councilman Wolf - 1

Present also: Walter E. Seaholm, Acting City Manager; J.E. Motheral, City Engineer; J. M. Patterson, Jr., Acting City Attorney; and R.D. Thorp, Chief of Police.

Thursday being a legal holiday, the meeting was held on Wednesday preceding.

Upon motion of Councilman Alford, the reading of the minutes was dispensed with.

The application of GEORGE KNOX, colored, 1021 East 11th Street, for a license to operate as a taxicab a 4-door Ford De luxe Sedan, 1938 Model, Motor No. 4448438, State License (1942) No. N09-599, State License (1944) No. FE-8882, duly approved by the Acting City Manager, to replace Taxicab Permit No. 84 cancelled by Arthur Patton, was submitted. Councilman Alford moved that the license be granted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes : Councilmen Alford, Bartholomew, Gillis, Mayor Miller
Noes : None
Absent: Councilman Wolf

The application of JOE EDWARD COOK, 645 Tillery Street, for a taxicab driver's permit, duly approved by the Acting City Manager, was submitted. Councilman Bartholomew moved that the permit be granted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes : Councilmen Alford, Bartholomew, Gillis, Mayor Miller
Noes : None
Absent: Councilman Wolf

Acting City Manager Seaholm submitted the following certificate on the destruction of certain cancelled bonds and coupons:

STATE OF TEXAS :
 COUNTY OF TRAVIS :
 CITY OF AUSTIN :

This is to certify that I have, on this 24th day of February, 1944, as directed by a resolution passed by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas, and in the presence of the undersigned attesting witnesses, caused the following numbered and otherwise described cancelled bonds to be destroyed by cremation in the City Incinerator, together with sundry cancelled coupons paid by the City of Austin, Texas, on its bonded debt:

Year	Description	Bonds		Interest	Total
		Numbers	Amount	Coupons	
1910	School	39	\$ 1000.00	\$ 1000.00	\$ 2000.00
1912	Sanitary Sewer				
1912	Street Improvement				
1915	School	221-230	10000.00	1500.00	11500.00
1915	Street, Bridge & Sewer	381-395	15000.00	2250.00	17250.00
1915	Ridgetop School District			250.00	250.00
1916	Refunding	1015-1036 1038-1053	38000.00	7386.25	45386.25
1918	School	40	1000.00	550.00	1550.00
1918	Sewage Disposal Plant	121-125	2500.00	2000.00	4500.00
1921	Hospital	18	1000.00	780.00	1780.00
1923	Govalle School District	9-20	3000.00	150.00	3150.00
1924	Incinerator	27-28	2000.00	1150.00	3150.00
1924	School	117-126	10000.00	18750.00	28750.00
1924	Water Filtration	127-137	11000.00	8275.00	19275.00
1926	School	54-58	5000.00	4583.75	9583.75
1928	Hospital	Jan. 1 33-35	3000.00	2847.50	5847.50
1928	School	92-101	10000.00	9192.50	19192.50
1928	Street Improvement	55-59	5000.00	5327.50	10327.50
1928	Airport	24-25	2000.00	2290.00	4290.00
1928	Fire Stations	24-25	2000.00	2290.00	4290.00
1928	Parks & Playgrounds	24-25	2000.00	2287.50	4287.50
1928	Hospital	Nov. 1 15-16	2000.00	1585.00	3585.00
1928	Sanitary Sewer	15	1000.00	467.50	1467.50
1929	Street Improvement	5-1 143-157	15000.00	17931.25	32931.25
1929	Sanitary Sewer	5-1 70-76	7000.00	8502.50	15502.50
1929	Parks & Playgrounds	5-1 54-59	6000.00	7101.25	13101.25
1929	Fire Stations	5-1 9	1000.00	878.75	1878.75
1929	Street Improvement	12-16 144-159	16000.00	21327.50	37327.50
1929	Sanitary Sewer	12-16 44-48	5000.00	6151.25	11151.25
1929	Parks & Playgrounds	12-16 38-41	4000.00	5272.50	9272.50
1929	Abattoir	12-16 20-21	2000.00	2565.00	4565.00
1931	Street Improvement	156-173	18000.00	25602.50	43602.50
1931	Parks & Playgrounds	45-49	5000.00	7362.50	12362.50
1931	Sanitary Sewer	23-25	3000.00	3633.75	6633.75
1932	Library	30-33	4000.00	5950.00	9950.00
1932	Fire Stations	11	1000.00	1975.00	2975.00
1935	Public Market	20-22	3000.00	2180.00	5180.00
1936	School	85-100	16000.00	7740.00	23740.00
1936	Parks & Playgrounds	22-25	4000.00	1080.00	5080.00
1937	Fire Stations	26-30	5000.00	2062.50	7062.50
1938	School Refunding	21-25	5000.00	1350.00	6350.00
1938	School	62-77	16000.00	7850.00	23850.00
1939	School	46-61	16000.00	6945.00	22945.00

1940	Hospital	37-55	\$ 19000.00	\$ 8065.00	\$ 27065.00
1942	Airport		18000.00	11238.90	29238.90
			<u>\$315500.00</u>	<u>\$237677.65</u>	<u>\$553177.65</u>
1934	4% Revenue Bonds	636			
		688-697			
1936	3% Revenue Bonds	699-735	\$ 48000.00	\$ 3740.00	\$ 51740.00
		303-353	51000.00	3060.00	54060.00
			<u>\$ 99000.00</u>	<u>\$ 6800.00</u>	<u>\$105800.00</u>
			<u>\$414500.00</u>	<u>\$244477.65</u>	<u>\$658977.65</u>

WITNESSES:

- (Sgd) Simon Gillis
- " E. C. Bartholomew
- " J. D. Huffman, Jr.
- " Roy Barbisch

(sgd) Walter E. Seaholm
Acting City Manager,
City of Austin, Texas

Which certificate was received and ordered spread on the minutes.

A petition, signed by a large number of citizens, asking that the bus line be extended to Harvey Street and 19th Street, was received. The matter was referred to the Acting City Manager and the Austin Transit Company for consideration.

The Mayor submitted to the Council for consideration his proposal that, to further the child welfare program, the City build a recreation center for the youth on vacant land owned by the City adjacent to the Fish Hatchery on Haskell Street, at an approximate cost of from Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) to Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00). The matter was taken under advisement.

The Mayor brought to the attention of the Council the hazard existing by reason of open storm sewer inlets. The City Engineer then reported on the work that was being done at the present to remedy the situation, and was instructed to proceed with such work as fast as possible.

A public hearing on the proposal of the National Housing Agency to sponsor the building of one hundred new houses primarily to house war workers was called for Tuesday, March 7, at 8:00 P. M.

The Acting City Manager submitted his recommendation to the Council that the contract with COX & SHEFFIELD for auditing the City's books be renewed for the year 1944, at the stipulated sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars (\$1500.00). Councilman Bartholomew moved that the recommendation of the Acting City Manager be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

- Ayes : Councilmen Alford, Bartholomew, Gillis, Mayor Miller
- Noes : None
- Absent: Councilman Wolf

The Acting City Manager submitted to the Council an offer by the

United States Credit Bureau for the collection of delinquent hospital accounts on a 25% basis if the addresses of delinquents are known, or on a 50% basis if not known. It was the sense of the Council that the offer be rejected, but that the Acting City Manager submit a statement of such accounts for further consideration.

There being no further business, upon motion, seconded and carried, the meeting was recessed at 12:10 P. M., subject to call of the Mayor.

APPROVED: Tom Miller
MAYOR

ATTEST:

Shelley McKeel
CITY CLERK